Rebecca Thomson

Position

Manager, Hydrogen Strategy team, Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water

Country

Australia

Career history

Rebecca is a public policy professional with a diverse range of government experience across multiple agencies. Rebecca has over 10 years' experience in climate and energy policy and the clean energy transition, both in Australia and internationally.

Rebecca is currently the Manager of the Hydrogen Strategy team at the Australian Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water. Her team is responsible for international engagement on hydrogen, oversight of the National Hydrogen Strategy and the development of Australia's Hydrogen Guarantee of Origin Scheme.

Previous roles have included working on Australia's Renewable Energy Target scheme and policy for industrial sector emissions. Rebecca has had leads role in in two major Australian Government review processes in 2014 and 2017. Rebecca has worked for the New Zealand Government on the design and implementation of the New Zealand Emissions Trading scheme from 2009 to 2012, including the development of regulations for the forestry and industrial sectors.

In addition to her work on climate change and energy, Rebecca has worked on biodiversity policy in Australia, including working for Australia's Threatened Species commissioner and has worked on the development of economic and environmental accounts at the Australian Bureau of Statistics.

Rebecca holds a Graduate Diploma in Environmental Management from the University of Tasmania and a Bachelor of Commerce/Bachelor of Asian studies from the Australian National University.